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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed May 22, 2003, in the above-identified application. A Notice of Appeal was filed in the above-identified application on July 22, 2003, and was received by the USPTO on July 25, 2003 setting the two-(2) month statutory period for filing of the Appeal Brief. This RCE is being filed in lieu of the Appeal Brief. Reconsideration of the application in view of the new claims and the remarks presented below is respectfully requested.

This Amendment is believed to be timely submitted. It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

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